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For: OBSTACLE DETECTION STOPPING

DEVICE OF SOLAR RADIATION

SHIELDING APPARATUS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

## **FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.